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SUBJECT: OECD CONSIDERATION OF ENERGY ISSUES

1. MPA DIRECTOR FOR ECONOMIC COOPERATION VAN SCHAIK HAS
EXPRESSED CONCERN TO ECON/ COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR ABOUT OECD
SYG VAN LENNEP' S PROPOSAL FOR DISCUSSION OF OIL SUPPLY PROBLEM
AT OECD MINISTERIAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 6-8. ACCORDING
TO VAN SCHAIK, VAN LENNEP PROPOSAL WOULD CALL FOR EXAMINATION
OF POSSIBLE COOPERATION BETWEEN OECD MEMBER COUNTRIES AND
OPEC UN REGULATION OF OIL SUPPLY AND DEMAND.

2. GUN IS SKEPTICAL OF VAN LENNEP' S ASSERTION THAT OPEC
COUNTRIES ARE RECEPTIVE TO COOPERATION WITH OECD MEMBERS. GUN
AND SOME OTHER OECD MEMBER STATES (VAN SCHAIK SPECIFICALLY
MENTIONED BRITISH) FEEL VAN LENNEP IS MOVING TOO FAR TOO FAST.
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DUTCH WOULD PREFER TO HAVE OECD CONCENTRATE FOR TIME BEING ON MORE FACTUAL STUDIES OF PROBLEM AS BASIS FOR POSSIBLE FUTURE INITIATIVES. MFA IS ABOUT TO EMBARK ON STUDY OF FOREIGN POLICY ISSUES INVOLVED IN ENERGY SITUATION FOR USE IN FUTURE EC AND OECD DELIBERATIONS.

3. DUTCH WILL REVIEW ENERGY PROBLEM IN INTERDEPARTMENTAL MEETING ON MAY 3 IN PREPARATION FOR MAY 8 OECD OIL COMMITTEE MEETING AND MAY 22 EC COUNCIL MEETING ON ENERGY.

4. VAN SCHAIK STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF GETTING JAPANESE THOROUGHLY IN LINE WITH OTHER OECD MEMBERS IN ANY DISCUSSIONS OF OIL SUPPLY PROBLEM. TANGUY UNQUOTE PORTER

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